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SUBJECT: LUNCHEON BY SECRETARY CALIFANO FOR CERTAIN REPRESENTATIVE TO WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY, GENEVA, MAY 8-24

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1. FIJI'S CHIEF DELEGATE TO MAY MEETING IS ITS MINISTER OF HEALTH, MR. EDWARD JAMES BEDDOES, A PROMINENT POLITICIAN AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL OF FIJI. HE IS A RESERVED PERSON, MEMBER OF THE RULING PARTY (ALLIANCE PARTY) MANAGEMENT BOARD AND GREAT CONTRIBUTOR TO HIS COMMUNITY.

2. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE: MR. BEDDOES, A LOYAL SUPPORTER OF THE PRIME MINISTER, HAS HELD SEVERAL MINISTERIAL PORTFOLIOS:

MINISTER FOR COMMUNICATIONS, WORLD AND TOURISM
(APRIL 1974 - APRIL 1976)

MINISTER FOR COMMERCE, INDUSTRY AND COOPERATIVES
(APRIL 1976)

MINISER FOR HEALTH (SEPTEMBER 1977 - PRESENT)

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THESE APPOINTMENTS STEM FROM HIS KEY ROLE IN THE RULING PARTY AS LEADER OF THE GENERAL ELECTORS' ASSOCIATION, A CONSTITUENT ORGANIZATION OF THE ALLIANCE. MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ELECTORS INCLUDE THE CHINESE AND OTHER MINORITY RACES OF FIJI SUCH AS THE PART-EUROPEANS LIKE MR. BEDDOES HIMSELF. AT PRESENT MR. BEDDOES IS A MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT. OTHER POLITICAL EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:

ALLIANCE DEPUTY PARTY CHAIRMAN, 1976.
PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ELECTROS' ASSOCIATION OF
FIJI A CONSTITUENT ORGANIZATION OF THE ALLIANCE,
1971 - PRESENT.
MEMBER OF ALLIANCE PARTY MANAGEMENT BOARD

3. OTHER POINTS OF INTEREST ARE:

AGE: 44 YEARS. BORN SUVA, FIJI ON FEBRUARY 18, 1932.
MARRIED: MAVIS JANE BEDDOES (NEE MOREL)
CHILDREN: 2 SONS
EDUCATION: EDUCATED AT NAUSORI PRIMARY SCHOOL AND BOYS
GRAMMAR SCHOOL
SERVED CADET CORPS - CMMANDING OFFICER
PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE AS FIJI'S CHIEF DELEGATE AT:
CIVIL AVIATION CONFERENCE
TOURIST CONFERENCE, SPC, GUAM
SOUTH PACIFIC FORUM SHIPPING CONFERENCE

4. ALSO ATTENDING THE CONFERENCE IS DR. JONA BARAVAILALA
SENILAGAKALI KNOWN SIMPLY AS DR. JONA, FIJI'S NEWLY APPOINTED
PERMANENT SECRETARY FOR HEALTH. HE IS A MEMBER OF THE
EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY. HE WAS
BORN NOVEMBER 8, 1929. HE GRADUATED IN 1953 FROM THE
FIJI SCHOOL OF
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